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"LUCKY" IS DEAD

Was Owner of Santa Anita and a Famous Character of Pioneer Days.

The death of Elias Jackson ("Lucky") Baldwin which occurred Monday morning at Santa Anita ranch house, removed one of the few remaining pioneers of the golden west. According to his own statement he was 81 years of age, but others of his family believe him to have been several years older. The marvellous tenacity with which he held to life for several months past was a marvel to physicians as well as to others who had predicted an early death for him for several years past.

Baldwin made the overland trip to California in 1850 with the gold seekers' rush, coming from Racine, Wis., whence he had removed from his native state, Ohio. He landed in Northern California and made considerable money at mercantile ventures. But he was not getting rich fast enough so he went to Virginia City at the height of excitement over the Comstock Lode.

His First Millions

It was at Virginia City where Baldwin made his biggest "lucky strike" in the stock of the Ophir mine, in which he is said to have cleaned up something like \$20,000,000. He always declared the title "Lucky" a misnomer because he attributed his financial success to foresight and hard work. He said he never entered into a deal of which he could not see the end. But when he went into a thing he was willing to stake his last dollar on it.

It was in the north that Baldwin first won financial independence, but it was in the south that he gained his greatest fame. He was one of the first men to arouse interest in Southern California through his investments in enormous land holdings.

Buys Southern Empire

With the proceeds of his winnings in the gold fields Baldwin came south to what was then commonly regarded as desert country. He purchased about 60,000 acres of San Gabriel Valley land at prices said to average \$2 an acre. This land included the famous Santa Anita ranch of which the Sierra Madre tract, later purchased from Baldwin by the late N. C. Carter, was a part. Baldwin also purchased much property in the then sleepy town of Los Angeles.

His Santa Anita ranch Baldwin transformed into one of the famous beauty spots of Southern California. He developed water in the two Santa Anita canyons, and sunk many artesian wells in the valley. The gardens about the old adobe ranch house were more famous in their day than are the Busch gardens of Pasadena today.

Begins Turf Career

It was at Santa Anita that Baldwin had the stables which produced some of the most famous horses of the American turf. He held the distinction of being the only man to win four American Derbys. Rey El Santa Anita was the last of his derby winners.

In 1907 Baldwin, in company with

Barney Schreiber and George Rose, undertook the development of Santa Anita race course at Arcadia where Baldwin had long dreamed of establishing a sort of western Monte Carlo. The closing of Ascot Park south of Los Angeles gave him the desired opening and the Santa Anita race course has already become one of the most prominent in the entire country, holding several world's records. It is a dream spot for the racing fraternity.

Dreams Realized and Shattered

But the racing establishment which he had hoped to leave as a monument seems destined to last but little longer than its founder. For while Baldwin did not live to see the death of racing at Santa Anita park he heard its death knell in the passage of the anti-race track gambling bill. That the end of the racing game and Baldwin's death should come so close together is one of the most dramatic things of a remarkably dramatic life.

Sierra Madre Antagonized

For many years Baldwin held a feeling of animosity toward Sierra Madre and its people. The trouble arose over the development of water in the Little Santa Anita canyon. Baldwin was asked to assist in developing more water by boring tunnels, but declined, declaring he had all the water he wanted. Later, however, he changed his mind and tried to compel the Sierra Madre Water company to share the water thus secured.

The fight was carried through a long struggle in the courts, Baldwin finally losing. After that nothing emanating from Sierra Madre looked good to Baldwin, and he always took the opposite side of any question which concerned the foothill folk and the valley.

Many Other Ventures

Hotels, theaters and large tracts of land further north were the objects of Baldwin's attention at various times, his San Francisco holdings being very large a few years ago. Regarding the disposition of the estate and the terms of Baldwin's will which was filed Wednesday for probate, the Los Angeles Herald says:

With the exception of H. A. Unruh, who for many years has acted as manager for the Baldwin properties, none but near relatives of E. J. ("Lucky") Baldwin are named as heirs in his will, filed in the superior court yesterday. The estate left by the dead millionaire is valued at \$25,000,000. The widow, three daughters, a niece, a nephew and a granddaughter are the beneficiaries. Mrs. Baldwin, who is living in San Francisco and who has been separated from her husband several years, receives a one-third interest in what is known as the "Baldwin Annex" property, located on Market and Powell streets, San Francisco, and valued in all at about \$500,000. Thus the widow's share in the rich estate is about \$166,000.

Daughters Largest Beneficiaries

The principal beneficiaries are Mrs. Clara Baldwin Stocker and Mrs. Anita Baldwin McClaughrey, daughters of the deceased, each of whom receives property valued at approximately \$12,000,000. They are named as residuary legatees and will receive the proceeds of the sales of property not otherwise disposed of. The two daughters are also directed to preserve intact the Baldwin home at Santa Anita rancho, maintaining it in the best style and bequeathing it to their heirs as

OLD BOARD RE-ELECTED

Library Association Holds Annual Meeting—Mrs. Flint Secretary

At the annual meeting of the Library association Wednesday evening the old board of directors was re-elected, reports of officers for the past year were read and routine business transacted. The Board of Directors is as follows: Mrs. L. C. Torrance, Mrs. H. G. Flint, Mrs. George H. Letteau, Miss A. B. Clime, Mr. W. S. Andrews, Mr. J. J. Potter, Mr. W. E. Bechtelheimer. L. C. Torrance was re-elected auditor.

After the adjournment of the association the directors met and elected the following officers, all of whom succeed themselves save Mrs. Flint, who takes the place of W. E. Bechtelheimer:

President, H. J. Potter
Vice-President, Mrs. L. C. Torrance
Secretary, Mrs. H. G. Flint.

Treasurer, Mrs. G. H. Letteau.

The treasurer's report showing money received and expended during the year was as follows:

Receipts

Bal. on hand Apr. 8, '08.....\$280.28
Rec'd from dues and fines..... 157.54
From food sales 222.59
From annual entertainment 76.00

Total \$736.41

Disbursements

Light \$ 13.45
Printing and signs 16.75

Labor, cleaning library 6.00

Material for tables 7.50

Oiling floors 10.00

Fruit jars, etc., for sales..... 6.80

Taxes 17.85

Street assessments 171.85

Librarian 108.00

Incidentals 18.47

Magazines 59.80

Books 76.23

Poek-Lovers Library 42.00

Boxing trees, etc. 14.62

\$569.03

Cash on hand 167.38

the Baldwin home.

The value of the bequests contained in the will and the beneficiaries are as follows:

Mrs. Lilly Bennett Baldwin, widow, \$166,000; Mrs. Clara Baldwin Stocker, daughter, \$12,000,000; Mrs. Anita Baldwin McClaughrey, daughter, \$12,000,000; Mrs. Zelda Selby, daughter, \$50,000; Rosebud D. Mullander, granddaughter, \$50,000; Elizabeth Rush, niece, \$5000; Charles Fawcett, nephew, \$5000, and H. A. Unruh, manager, \$25,000.

No Contest Expected

It is not believed by Mr. Unruh, who is named in the will as executor and who was appointed special administrator by Judge Rives yesterday, that there will be any contest. In fact Mr. Baldwin took precautionary measures to prevent such a possibility by causing to be inserted a clause providing that any person named in the will or any person who may possibly benefit by his death who shall begin a contest over the estate shall be cut off entirely.

The will was drawn by Bradner W. Lee, who for many years has acted as Mr. Baldwin's attorney. His statutory fees in the estate will be one-half of 1 per cent, or \$125,000, and Mr. Unruh's fees as executor will be a like amount.

MAKES MUCH WORK

Preparation of Gas Ordinances Keeps the City Attorney Busy.

Pursuant to the mandate of the voters at the special gas bond election, City Attorney Madden is preparing the ordinance ordering the sale of the \$30,000 in bonds. The ordinance will be presented at the regular meeting of the city trustees next week, and passed at the following meeting. For the present the result of the election has made the city attorney about the busiest man in town, and a lot of work is in store in connection with the city clerk's office a little later. Affairs should be in shape for letting the contract in about six weeks.

Last evening the city trustees met and canvassed the result of the election, finding everything as already reported. For once not a ballot was thrown out on account of improper marking, though it is likely two ballots were not marked in exact accordance with the voters' intentions. One voted affirmatively on the plant and negatively on the purchase of land. Another voted for the purchase of land for the plant but did not vote on the plant.

At any rate there was a good, safe margin on the right side of both propositions. With but forty-two negative votes, only eighty-four affirmative votes were necessary to carry the bonds. The difference between this and the 116 votes cast leaves a margin of thirty-two votes.

Of nearly 200 registered voters in this city, only about 166 were available at the time of the election, the rest being absent from the city or otherwise prevented from voting. To have 158 votes cast out of this number of possible voters is a mighty good showing. The 116 votes cast for the bonds represent a clear two-thirds of the possible vote at the time of the election. So that in any analysis the vote shows unmistakably what the voters thought of the proposition.

ANOTHER BIRTHDAY PARTY

By way of celebrating the —th birthday anniversaries of their president, Ralph J. Lord, and the Sunday school superintendent, A. S. Mead, the members of the Christian Endeavor society indulged in a school day frolic in the church parlors last evening. The program was arranged after the manner of the "last day of school" with speaking and singing by various scholars and visitors. A two-story birthday cake was carved during the "lunch hour."

NO MORE PROGRESSIVE WHIST

Redondo Reflex—A ordinance whereby whist parties where prizes are offered or poker games for beans will be unlawful has been given its first reading before the city council of Santa Ana and will be passed at the next meeting. The ordinance covers every form of gambling where anything but money is involved. By a recent decision the state law is held to apply only to games where actual cash is the stake, and therefore the city can pass laws on games of other kinds, hence the action of the Santa Ana trustees.

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BRIDLE'S BIRTHDAY PARTY

Friends Give Him a Rousing Sendoff
With Dinner at the Shirley

When it became known that M. H. Bridle had made business arrangements that would require his absence from Sierra Madre for some time there was grief among those who had formed strong attachments for him as a man and among those who had learned to admire him as one of the best and most efficient boosters in Southern California. Somebody made the interesting discovery that last Friday was his birthday anniversary. And since he was to depart on the morrow a little surprise was planned in the way of a dinner at the Shirley.

Including the guest of honor, an even dozen were seated at the table, the others being business men and others who had been more or less intimately associated with Mr. Bridle in various activities and particularly in Board of Trade work. The dinner was a credit to the skill of Mr. and Mrs. Van Zandt. The table was attractively arranged, with a real birthday cake in the center. The candles on the cake represented Mr. Bridle's apparent age more nearly than his real age, which was indicated by figures of candy laid in the frosting. But the News isn't telling tales about those figures.

The delights, mental and physical, of the dinner having received proper attention, an impromptu toast program with J. W. Keys presiding, was indulged in, somewhat to the embarrassment of the guest of honor who was almost overwhelmed by the well deserved tributes paid him. Appreciation of his services as a public spirited citizen and deep regret at his prospective departure were voiced by all present. That Mr. Bridle has been the making of the Board of Trade was their unanimous opinion, and his prospective departure caused keen pangs of regret at the personal loss and the loss to Sierra Madre.

In reply to the well-wishing of his friends, Mr. Bridle made a reply that evidently came from the depths of his heart. He reiterated his love for Sierra Madre and declared his continued devotion to the interests of the city. There was some comfort to be gained from his announcement that he would retain his property interests here and would not cut loose entirely from Sierra Madre, hoping to return later and make it his permanent home.

Those seated at the table with Mr. Bridle were Messrs. J. W. Keys, C. W. Jones, C. F. Gray, C. S. Kersting, George B. Morgridge, A. S. Mead, N. H. Hosmer, J. J. Graham, A. N. Adams, W. S. Andrews, E. N. Mead

MIGHT TRANSFER THE CEREMONY

Inauguration day in Sierra Madre was not all that might have been desired so far as weather is concerned, but it was far better than the brand of weather served up in Washington, judging by newspaper reports. Which goes to show that the American people can better be depended upon than the weather man to do the right thing at the right time. As Lincoln is said to have said, the people can generally be depended upon to "wobble right." And, different as the two men are, the people seem to have been as correct in putting Taft on the presidential job as they were in putting Roosevelt at it. There has not been as much of the hoopla business over Taft's inauguration as over some others, but the people generally have watched the inauguration of few if any presidents with such complaisance. Everybody expects an administration on a high plane and they are not likely to be disappointed.

WOMAN

Oh, woman, you are charming,
And poets long have sung
Their sweetest verses to you,
In every written tongue;
But none of them has ever
Told why it is that you
Will always leave a street-car
at due gnorW

—W. J. Lampton, in Success Magazine.

The other-people's-business man persisted in trying to extract information from a prosperous looking elderly man next him in the Pullman smoker. "How many people work in your office?" he asked. "Oh," said the elderly man, getting up and throwing away his cigar, "I should say, at a rough guess, about two-thirds of them."

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Brief Items of Interest

The Ancient Priscillas met with Mrs. Edith M. Crisp on Tuesday afternoon.

George W. Gill of Burbank was calling on Sierra Madre friends last Monday.

Mrs. Elizabeth J. Morgridge left this morning for Pomona, where she will visit relatives over Sunday.

Mrs. A. Clark of Los Angeles is visiting at the home of her son, C. Moss Clark, of Piedmont Heights.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Camp of Los Angeles, the former manager for Hoegge & Co., were Sunday guests at the Fox home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pratt and son drove over from Pomona in their auto on Sunday to spend the day with Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Andrews.

Captain and Mrs. J. A. Osgood entertained last evening at dinner Mr. and Mrs. L. Dietz and Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Copps. The evening was pleasantly spent at cards.

The fortnightly social meeting of the Ladies' Aid society of the Congregational church will be held on Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. J. J. Graham and Mrs. J. G. Slayton as hostesses.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Townsend, who have spent the past six months in the northern part of the state, have returned and are visiting Mrs. Townsend's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Stanton.

Mr. D. E. Spafford and daughter, Miss Gertrude Spafford, Mrs. Marie Culp and Mr. Culp of Ocean Park, visited S. H. Spafford at Wheeler Heights last Sunday. They were very much pleased with Sierra Madre.

On the evening of April 19, the anniversary of the battle of Lexington, the Woman's club will give a colonial party. The minuet will be danced by ladies and gentlemen in costume and afterward there will be dancing for all who care to participate.

Miss Helen Frye Bradstreet of Pasadena has been visiting her cousin, Miss Helen Wright, at Wheeler Heights the past week. Miss Wright gave two euchre parties in Miss Bradstreet's honor. Among the guests were eastern friends who are sojourning at Hotel Green.

"Photography and Art" is the subject of the lecture to be given before the Woman's club next Monday afternoon by Mr. Louis Fleckenstein of Los Angeles. There will be an exhibition famous pictorial photographs that have received prizes at many exhibitions and a treat is in store for those who attend.

Word has been received from Wortham, Texas, of the death of Margaret, the six-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Hathaway recently of Sierra Madre. On their departure from here the Hathaway children had severe colds but nothing of a serious nature was expected. On arriving at their destination Margaret developed fever and the doctors who were summoned pronounced the trouble spinal meningitis. Death resulted on Friday, February 26.

One of the prettiest of the week's social functions was the twelve o'clock breakfast given on Wednesday by Mrs. Charles H. Baker in compliment to Mrs. F. C. Brooks of Minneapolis, who is the guest of her cousin, Mrs. F. C. Wright. Covers were laid for eleven, the guests being: Mmes. F. C. Brooks, F. C. Wright, J. A. Osgood, George H. Letteau, W. J. Lawless, L. C. Torrance, Maude Nichols Lyon, F. L. Morgan, F. A. Eastman, and Miss Ollie Brooks of Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Nichols will entertain the Sierra Casino club this evening.

The Modern Priscillas were entertained on Thursday by Miss Lottie Humphries.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. King of Los Angeles were visitors at the home of H. W. Caskey last Sunday.

Mrs. R. H. Hudson of Los Angeles called on Sierra Madre friends Monday and was the luncheon guest of Mrs. C. E. Cook.

Conductor Joseph Kramer is on his regular "run" on the Pacific Electric this week, to the delight of his many friends.

Rev. E. J. H. Van Deerline of San Bernardino will hold services at the Church of the Ascension next Sunday. Morning service at 11 o'clock and evening service at 4:30.

David F. Robinson of Los Angeles has bought of Fred Gourley an acre of land in which was formerly known as the Blumer tract. He will begin improvements soon and erect a residence.

About twenty-five public school pupils, chaperoned by Mrs. Wagoner, enjoyed a hay-ride to Monrovia last evening. The affair was arranged by the basket ball team.

Mrs. Burton W. Andrews entertained on Wednesday at a charming luncheon Mrs. Ed Cook of Chicago, Mrs. C. D. Payne of Long Beach, Mrs. Harry Haws of Los Angeles and Miss Irene McGregor of Sierra Madre.

The society vaudeville performance given recently in aid of the public library will be repeated in response to urgent demand, at a matinee performance on the afternoon of Saturday, March 19. A general admission fee of 25 cents will be charged and there will be no reserved seats.

Mr. W. A. Bowen and Mrs. Eleanor Woodger surprised their friends by going to Los Angeles and quietly getting married last Saturday. Both have lived here for some time and they will continue their residence here. They are now at home at Mrs. Bowen's former residence on upper Auburn avenue.

Last Sunday a large party of Los Angeles and Spokane friends visited Mr. H. C. Churchill at his mountain ranch. They were a jolly party and some who had never before been on a ranch greatly enjoyed picking oranges and lemons from the trees. A delightful hour was spent in roaming over the ranch, and a ramble through the canyon followed. Mr. W. B. Churchill, an enthusiastic and skillful amateur photographer, took a large number of pictures of groups and individuals. Refreshments of club sandwiches and tea were served at the ranch home. At sunset the party left in their autos for Los Angeles, leaving many expressions of appreciation of the good time enjoyed.

THE RETORT COURTEOUS
"Oh, husband, wake up!" cried the wife in affright, "I am sure there's a burglar down stairs."
"Go down, then," said hubby; "you told me last night
Not to meddle in household affairs."
—The Sphinx.

The banquet table was spread and the guests about to be summoned. "Are you sure there are no reporters present?" anxiously asked the host of the butler. "I've made certain of it, sir." "Then hustle out and get a few," rejoined the host.

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BY THE WAY

Here's hoping the steel kings enjoy their trade war enough to keep at it several months. It will effect a big saving on the largest item in the bill of materials for Sierra Madre's gas plant. Pipe is already quoted materially lower in carload lots.

"Lucky" Baldwin's remarkably tenacious grip on life led many of his employes to regard him as leading a sort of a charmed life. Within a week before his death his employes were betting that he would live anywhere from a week to five years.

Both Downey and Burbank want to incorporate as cities of the sixth class but the citizens have decided to wait until the county highway commission has spent some of the \$3,500,000 good roads fund on highways running through these towns. El Monte is in the same position.

A Los Angeles millionaire worth a couple of millions "passes in his checks" and leaves his sons with only the income from a few thousands dollars to enjoy themselves with. Something of a slam at the sons when the father has no more confidence in them than that. Also a confession on the part of the old man that he was more of a success at making money than at raising a family.

The consolidation bill designed to permit Los Angeles and San Pedro to consolidate meets with no opposition from other cities of the county in its final form, which requires a majority vote in each city concerned, instead of a majority vote in the entire territory concerned as was first asked by Los Angeles. In its present form Sierra Madre may some day wish to take advantage of the measure—but not in a deal with Los Angeles.

Now that the Sierra Madre street signs have been in place three years or thereabouts, who not remove the signs placed along Central avenue by the Pacific Electric railway? Sierra Madre streets were officially named twenty years before the electric line was even projected and why the railway people thought new signs and new names necessary is a mystery. Nothing but confusion results, particularly in the minds of recent arrivals not familiar with the proper street names.

South Pasadena city trustees have passed a billboard ordinance on first reading, imposing a tax of two cents per square foot on all bill boards in that city. The plea was made by

the head of the firm of Varney & Green that such a tax would spell the ruin of the bill board business. Since that was its purpose, the ordinance was passed over his protest. What a boon it would be to commuters if similar action could be taken reaching every billboard along the line of the P. E. railway.

Supervisors of Imperial County, announce that they will supply shade trees, preferably eucalyptus, to every settler who will plant them along the line of a county road and protect and care for them. It is hoped in this way to stimulate interest in tree planting throughout the valley.

When M. H. Bridle was drafted for the office of Secretary of the Board of Trade about a year ago one of the most fortunate "strikes" in the history of Sierra Madre was made. In the light of subsequent events it seems that the choice was almost providential. To say that Mr. Bridle has been wonderfully efficient is stating the case mildly and saying only the obvious thing. As an organizer and as a harmonizer he has been a success, supplying a large part of the force and directive ability in every important undertaking of the Board. His successor, whoever he may be, has a clever pace set for him.

Norwalk Call.—The sheath gowns have at least one advantage. A woman cannot spread her skirt over three seats in the street car.

Downey Champion.—People who find lost articles will be interested in knowing that the state law is strict in requiring them to seek the owners through advertisement and otherwise, and that failure to do so involves a severe penalty if same can be proven.

San Fernando Press.—Tustin, one of the old boom places near Santa Ana, is planning to incorporate. Gradually the old towns are being resurrected and joining the progressive municipalities. San Fernando's turn will soon come and all the opposition of the pessimist will then be of no avail. God speed the day.

Hollywood Sentinel.—The saloon traffic in California can see the handwriting on the wall. Within five years, we will wonder why we permitted them as long as we did.

Whittier Register.—The market report says there has been a drop in steel and pig iron. Most people however, are watching for a drop in real pig and steak.

She (at the musicale)—Miss Schrecher sings with wonderful realism, don't you think so? He—Yes; you can almost see the crack in her voice.—Detroit Saturday Night.

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At the Sunday morning service of the Congregational church of Sierra Madre, February 28th, the following resolution was passed:

Having heard of the death of Mr. O. S. A. Sprague we desire to tender our warmest sympathy to the bereaved family; and to put on record our appreciation of Mr. Sprague for his qualities of sterling worth, and for the spirit of quiet helpfulness which he manifested towards this church and community, during his sojourn among us. Although it is several years since he removed to Pasadena, the fragrance of his memory still lingers in this place.

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THE SUNDAY PAPER

Emporia Gazette.—I spent five cents for a Sunday "Dart" and hauled it home in a two-wheeled cart; I piled the sections upon the floor, till they reached as high as the kitchen door; I hung the chromos upon the wall, though there wasn't room to hang them all, and the yard was littered some ten feet deep with "comic sections" that made me weep; and there were sections of pink and green, a woman's section and magazine, and sheets of music the which it played, would quickly make an audience fade; and there were patterns for women's gowns and also for gentlemen's hand-me-downs; and a false mustache and a rubber doll, and a deck of cards and a parasol. Now men are busy with dray and cart, a hauling away the Sunday "Dart."

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Los Angeles St., Los Angeles, Cal**UNDERTAKE IMPORTANT WORK**Local Organization to be Formed at
Mass Meeting Next Week

Organization of a local branch of the state Society for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis is one of the objects sought in the calling of a mass meeting at Town Hall on Friday evening of next week. The call is issued as a result of a conference of several local citizens with Dr. F. C. E. Mattison of Pasadena and Dr. Titian Coffey of Los Angeles. These gentlemen are prominent in the work of the state organization and in their own cities.

Work of an educational nature is among the most important undertaken by these societies. Such work is carried on by means of the bi-monthly bulletin of the state organization, and by lectures given by authorities on the subject. At the mass meeting next week Dr. George H. Kress of Los Angeles will speak, using lantern slides to illustrate his remarks. The lecture will be well worth hearing, even though you do not care to become a member of the society.

With the organization of other communities along the lines proposed here Sierra Madre will become the dumping ground of other cities for such tubercular sufferers as will not observe reasonable regulations for the protection of others and for their own welfare. The only alternative is for Sierra Madre citizens to organize for carrying on the work locally along right lines. This city already has an excellent health ordinance and much good is accomplished by the visiting nurse. With the moral support of such an organization the work would be much easier and more efficient.

In the past the preferred policy of too many people here has been to ignore the existence of any danger from tuberculosis. They have done the "ostrich act," sticking their heads in the sand and thinking they were hidden from danger. Wake up and attend the mass meeting Friday, March 12.

M. C. Doucet has moved his confectionery business and the Wells Fargo Express office to the Underhill building, formerly occupied by the drug store. He will have more commodious quarters and be better able to handle the refreshment business in warm weather. He contemplates putting in a soda fountain.

SEASONABLE
"Where are you going, my pretty maid?"
"I'm going to sneeze, kind sir," she said.
"Tell me what at, my pretty maid?"
"Atchoo! Atchoo!" was all she said.

An author engaged a young lady typewriter to take down his new novel from dictation. At the passage: "Oh! my adorable angel, accept the confession from my lips that I can not exist without you! Make me happy; come and share my lot and be mine until death do us part!"—his fair secretary paused and ingenuously inquired: "Is that to go down with the rest?"

When you know of an item of interest call up Black 42 and tell the News about it before you forget it.

The most difficult of all classes of news to obtain are the "personals." You can help make the paper better by sending in one or more items each week. It is a mutual benefit proposition.

Some people seem to think the News does not welcome their assistance along this line. Try it and see.

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Having purchased the furniture stock formerly owned by Mr. Hathaway my first desire is to have the people come in and get acquainted.

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NOTICE

I hereby notify anyone bringing their cow to Live Oak Dairy that they must pay when they bring the cow. No pay no service. Bull service \$3.00.

22 H. P. OLSEN,

The News Printery has on hand an odd lot of square envelopes, fine linen finish bond. To close them out they will be sold at 5 cents a bunch. Regularly sold for 10 cents straight.

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Advertising inserted under this heading at the rate of five cents per line for each insertion.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Rhode Island Red eggs for hatching, fifteen for \$1. Also a few Rhode Island Red laying hens. Red Horse Shoe Poultry Farm. T. H. Graham, N. Lima St. Phone green 1. tf

FOR SALE—Laying hens and 1 rooster, all thoroughbred White Rocks. \$7 for the lot. Call at Parsons', foot of Mt. Trail ave. 22*

FOR SALE—Good lots, \$350 and up. C. R. Street.

FOR SALE—Pony and buggy; safe driver for ladies; \$55 for outfit. W. W. Bayard, Grand View avenue.

FOR SALE—75 laying hens, White and Brown Leghorns; \$50 for the lot. W. W. Bayard, Grand View avenue.

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—6-room cottage, furnished; 8-foot porch suitable for sleeping porch; also small barn, fruit trees, etc. J. A. Osgood, Lima St. Home phone Blue 17. tf

FOR RENT—Unfurnished house of 5 rooms and bath; opposite Sierra Madre Hotel; \$18. Apply to A. N. Adams. 23

FOR RENT—My ten-acre ranch, with furnished five-room house—barn and other outbuildings. \$22 per month for six months or more. W. W. Bayard, Grand View avenue.

WANTED

WANTED—Work. Four young Russian men have come to Sierra Madre and want ranch or garden work. Some experience with citrus fruit, and speak English. Call at cottage, corner Victoria Lane and Auburn after 5 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS

TO EXCHANGE—A good piano. Want horse, buggy and harness. See Twyross.

Automobilist—What advantage has the airship over the motor-car? Aero-naut—Well, for one thing, you can always be sure of making good time on the return trip.—Smart Set.

Father (angrily)—If my son marries that actress I shall cut him off absolutely, and you can tell him so. Legal Adviser—I know a better plan than that—tell the girl.—The Law Journal.

The Employer—Young man, I don't see how, with your salary, you can afford to smoke such expensive cigars. The Employee—You're right, sir—I can't, I ought to have a bigger salary.—Cleveland Leader.

SIERRA MADRE RAINFALL

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	Inches
October.....	.34
November.....	.55
December.....	1.91
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January.....	14.84
February.....	11.99
March 3.....	.11
Total to date.....	29.74

There was a slight shower about 10 p.m. on Sunday Feb. 28th, but not sufficient to increase the record for the month.

ASSESSMENT NOTICE.

Sierra Madre Water Company—Location of Principle Place of Business: City of Sierra Madre, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Bonds..... \$1,000.00
Interest on Bonds..... 840.00

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the directors of the Sierra Madre Water Company, held on the 1st day of March, 1909, an assessment of 15 cents per share was levied upon the capital stock of said corporation, payable forthwith to H. G. Flint, the secretary and treasurer of said corporation, at his office at the First National Bank, on Central avenue, in said City of Sierra Madre, County of Los Angeles, State of California. Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 6th day of April, 1909, will be delinquent and will be advertised for sale at public auction, and, unless payment is made before, will be sold on the 4th day of May, 1909, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

H. G. FLINT,
Secretary of Sierra Madre Water Company.

Location of the office of the company: The office whereat the secretary and treasurer conducts the business of the corporation is at the First National Bank, on Central avenue, in the City of Sierra Madre, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Dated March 1st, 1909.

MONDAY MUSICAL CLUB

Mrs. C. W. Jones was hostess to the Monday Musical club last Monday afternoon. A very interesting "Chamade" program was rendered under direction of the hostess. A splendid paper on the life and compositions of this remarkable woman composer was read by Miss Lenore Morgan. Musical numbers on the program were as follows, being compositions by Chamade with one exception:

Violin and piano—Waltz de Ballet
Miss Caley and Miss Rice.
Piano duet—Scarf Dance.
Mrs. Stevenson, Miss Hill.
Piano—Air de Ballet.
Miss Rice.
Violin and piano—
(a) Adagio, Frank Ries.
(b) Swan Song, Saint Saens.
Mrs. C. Moss Clark, Miss Lottie Humphries.
Vocal—Summer,
Miss Cook.

Mrs. J. C. Ragsdale entertained the Lima street sewing circle this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Waterbury left the city this morning after having spent three months here. Mr. Waterbury goes to Mexico and after a short stay will proceed to Cuba where he holds a position. Mrs. Waterbury goes to her home in Dakota.

Juniper wood just arrived. Sierra Madre Feed & Fuel Co.

REVELATION

When Phyllis passed me in her sheath, It really made me grit my teeth— I've ever been her ardent wooer, But Gee! There is so little to her!

—Puck.

Autoist (who has paid boy to bring assistance)—Did you give the farmer my message, boy? Boy—Yep; I told him ther' wuz four autombeelers stuck in a drift, an' cuddent git out. Autoist—What did he say? Boy—He said, "Hooray," an' gimme me another quarter.—Life.

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Ethel—Didn't it seem an age from the time you were engaged till you got married? Maud—Yes, but Jack and I managed to squeeze through it.—The Tatler.

Wife—Billy, dear, I stitched up the hole in your trousers' pocket last night after you had gone to bed. Now, am I not a thoughtful little wife? Husband—H'm; how did you know there was a hole in my pocket?—New York Times.

Patient—Are you sure, doctor, that this health food that you have recommended is nourishing? Doctor—Sure? Why, I know it. The man who introduced that health food not only lives, but supports a large family on it.—Stray Stories.

"Dear," whispered the eloping lover, "what shall we do with the rope ladder? We shouldn't leave it hanging there." "Oh! that's all right," replied the coy damsel. "Pa said he'd pull it up again so we couldn't get back."—Catholic Standard and Times.

Riggs—I understand that you encourage your son to practice on the cornet. Griggs—Yes, sir. He's only been playing two months, but today I bought the house next door to me for one-half its value.—Brooklyn Eagle.

"Your town enjoys the reputation of being the home of two congressmen, doesn't it?" "No, it doesn't enjoy it—it has it!"—New York Herald.

"Do you know anything about flirting?" "No," he replied sadly. "I thought I did, but when I tried it the girl married me."—Boston Globe.

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AT THE THEATERS

MAJESTIC

"The Gingerbread Man," that delightful little fairiesque and fantastic comic opera by Frederick G. Ranken and A. Baldwin Cloane, will be presented at Hamburgers' Majestic Theatre, Los Angeles, for the week beginning March 7th, and including matinees Wednesday and Saturday, with a wealth of detail and scenic magnificence, as well as costumic embellishments, that will immediately commend itself to the patrons of high-class music.

First of all, "The Gingerbread Man" is a good entertainer, written on lines of distinction, with brilliant music and excellent comedy of a class not hackneyed, it offers a distinct novelty from the so-called musical comedies from the fact that it depends not on a series of numbers strung together, but on a story consistently told and funnily rendered.

The present management has secured a cast that has made the piece classic, such artists as Fred Nice, Ross Snow, Carrick Major, Herbert Sallinger, Rose Murray, May Bouton, Lola Renard and Adele Archer, render the piece in superb style and the many pretty numbers, clever dialogues and the brilliant comedy receive perfect rendition at their hands.

BURBANK

From the first it has been evident that "Peter Pan" would outlive the week at the Burbank. It has been seen, enjoyed and applauded by capacity audiences ever since it opened and doubtless the second week will be quite as well attended as was the first. "Peter Pan" makes an especial appeal to children and for this reason an extra matinee will be played Thursday afternoon, in addition to the regular matines Saturday. The usual age restriction for children in attendance upon Burbank performances will be suspended during the "Peter Pan" engagement, numerous requests having been made upon Manager Oliver Morosco that he not, enforce the customary rule.

On all sides Manager Oliver Morosco has been heartily congratulated upon his ten strike, while high praise has been accorded Miss Blanche Hall for acting in the role of Peter Pan; Jessie Mac Hall for her Wendy; A. Byron Beasley for his Captain Hook; William Desmond for his Mr. Darling; Lovell Alice Taylor for her Mrs. Darling; little Ollie Walters for her extreme naturalness as one of the children and the other members of the cast for general good work.

BELASCO

George Broadhurst's new American play, "The Dollar Mark," will have its first production on any stage at the Belasco Theatre next week. "The Dollar Mark" is presented at the Belasco by special arrangement with William A. Brady, under whose management it will be given a metropolitan hearing at the Savory Theatre next September.

Mr. Broadhurst, who came to Los Angeles especially to direct the rehearsals of his play, is one of the dominant figures among American dramatists. He is the author of such well known successes as "The Man of the Hour," "Why Smith Left Home," "What Happened to Jones," "The Easterner," Lillian Russell's latest success, "Wildfire," and a number of other equally successful dramatic works.

The story of "The Dollar Mark" concerns a young mining engineer, who owns an unusually rich copper mine in Montana. Mr. Broadhurst has ob-

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viously modelled this young mine after Augustus Heinbe. Introduced in the first act are the president of the Consolidated, undoubtedly a stage duplicate of H. H. Rogers, and a number of other personages who continue throughout the four acts of the play. The consolidated makes every effort to get the Montana copper mine, which is the only independent producing mine in the field. There is introduced at the very outset of the play a strong love interest, which centers around the young sister of a New York broker. She is sought in marriage by the president of the Consolidated and by the young Montana mine owner. Of course, the young man wins out and thereby not only must encounter the business enmity of the president of the Consolidated, but his personal hatred as well.

of the president of the Consolidated. Every member of the big Belasco company will be engaged in the performance. Miss Adele Farrington, formerly a popular member of the Belasco company, will make her reappearance in "The Dollar Mark" in the role of Mrs. Chandler, wife of a New York broker.

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